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- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- [X] No additional fee is required.

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| □ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM | | | | X 135 \$ | X 270 \$ 0 |
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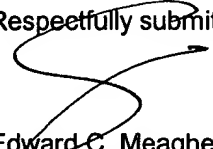
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